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MEMORANDUM

From: Commander, Fleet Activities Sasebo
To: Active Duty and Reserve Personnel, Retirees, Military Dependents, Civilian Employees, Contractors, Host Nation Civilian Employees and Anyone with Installation Access
Subj: UPDATED CFAS CLOTH FACE COVERING GUIDELINES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19
Ref: (a) Department of Defense Guidance on the Use of Cloth Face Coverings dtd 5 Apr 20
(b) NAVADMIN 194/20
(c) CNFJ/CNRJ Memorandum COVID-19 Leave and Liberty Policy
(d) CFAS Public Health Order dtd 10 Oct 20

1. References (a) through (c) require the use of cloth face coverings for Department of Defense employees, family members and persons on military installations. The guidelines in this Memorandum are mandatory for all persons subject to reference (d). Uniformed personnel who disobey these guidelines may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for violation of Article 92. Non-compliance by all other individuals that either have or desire base access may be subject to administrative measures such as curtailment, debarment or early return to the United States.

2. General Rule. Cloth face coverings are required in open areas on and off the installation when individuals cannot maintain six feet of distance. Face coverings are not required when walking alone or with immediate family members outside. When indoors on base, face coverings are required unless an individual is in a space that allows for maintaining six feet of distance between all other people. The requirement to wear face coverings applies in all businesses and customer service offices, such as the post office, the Navy Exchange, the Branch Health Clinic and MWR facilities. Non-compliance with requests to wear face coverings from staff may result in individuals being denied entry and the loss privileges to do business at that location. When off base, wearing a face covering is required when entering a business or other indoor area where close contact with others is possible.

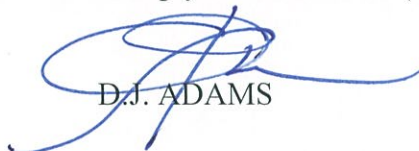
3. Face Coverings in Vehicles. Face coverings are required in vehicles when there are occupants who are not immediate family members. Face coverings must be worn when passing through gates onto base or base housing areas. Even if not required to wear a face covering while driving (e.g. alone or with immediate family members), drivers must put on a face covering before interacting with gate sentries. The sentries may ask the driver to temporarily lower a face covering to verify the driver's identity. After passing the sentries, face coverings can be removed if not otherwise needed. Failure to wear face coverings in accordance with these guidelines will result in the loss of driving privileges and the suspension of SOFA licenses for

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thirty days. For repeat offenders, tickets will be issued and driving privileges will be suspended for six months. Please be courteous and respectful to sentries.

4. Face Coverings and Sports. Sports are permitted under reference (d); however, participants shall wear masks during play. Group sizes should be small and each individual participating shall not exceed their limit of 10 close contacts per any 14-day period.

5. Proper Face Coverings. Face coverings must fit snugly and comfortably over the face for prolonged wear. Face coverings must cover the chin and extend over the bridge of the nose. Face coverings should not be open ended and should create a snug fit around the face and jaw. Mesh fabrics, fabrics with large pores or sheer fabric face coverings **shall** not be worn. Medical supply/surgical masks fit within the meaning of cloth coverings as used in this PHO. Face coverings that have valves shall not be used. **Face coverings must have fastening devices or be secure with ties or ear loops; gaiters and face shields are not considered proper face coverings.** Face coverings for military members in uniform must comply with reference (b).



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